

#### **AGENDA**

### **DOG PARK COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY APRIL 4, 2013 6:30 P.M.

# BUILDING, ZONING, AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ROOM, 2ND FLOOR ROOM 250 88 W. MCINTYRE STREET KEY BISCAYNE, FL 33149

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Attendance
- 2. Minutes: February 28 and March 16, 2013
- 3. Temporary Dog Park
- 4. Discussion of tour of dog parks in Miami Beach and Coconut Grove
- 5. Evaluation of Dog Park Sites (please print and bring the attached spreadsheet to the meeting)
- 6. Identification of the 3 highest ranked sites: Recommendation to Council
  - a. Identification of a Presentation Committee
- 7. Next Meeting Date:
  - a. Agenda Items Recommended by the Committee
- 8. Resident comments
- 9. Adjournment

Minutes: February 28, 2013 Meeting

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.
- 2. Attendance was recorded by staff.
- 3. The Committee members introduced themselves.
- 4. Village Attorney Chad Friedman reviewed the Sunshine Law regulations. Committee members were advised to send all e mails to staff who would forward them to the entire Committee. The Village Attorney advised not to reply to e mails.
- 5. Council Liaison Davey outlined the purpose of the Committee:
  - a. Identify potential Dog Park Sites
  - b. Identify the advantages and disadvantages of each site
  - c. Present recommendations to the Village Council
- 6. The Committee appointed Dr. Steve Eastman as an x-official member.
- 7. The Committee identified 22 sites for consideration. Staff will list these sites with columns for advantages and disadvantages. This spreadsheet would be forwarded to the members who will fill it out and return to staff who will organize it into one document and forward to the Committee.
- 8. The Committee scheduled a field trip to dog parks in Miami Beach on the Venetian Causeway and Second Avenue and Washington Street and to Blanch Park in Coconut Grove.

- 9. Nancy Doke Harrison was elected as Chair and Katie Petros as Vice-Chair. The minutes will be recorded by staff.
- 10. The next meeting was set for Thursday, April 9, 2013, 6:30 p.m. in the BZP Conference Room.
- 11. Resident Comments:
  - a. Christina Chartouni said the north Village Green was too small and close to businesses in The Galleria Shopping Center. She said the restaurants keep the rear doors open (faces North Village Green) for ventilation. She feared odors from the park would seep into the restaurants.
  - b. Ed Meyer Recommended Calusa Park, feared people from off the island would use the park, and that there must be nearby parking.
  - c. Councilmember Edward London said the Dog Park would be secured with a fence and lock similar to the Beach Park and only residents of the Key could get a key.
- 12. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

## Minutes: March 16, 22013 Meeting

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. in front of the Community Center.
- 2. Attendance was recorded by staff.
- 3. Committee members and staff toured Dog Parks in Miami Beach at Second Street/Washington Avenue and the Venetian Causeway and Blanch Park in Coconut Grove. Many observations were made including:
  - a. the cleanliness of each park
  - b. social interaction
  - although there were many dogs, only a few intermittingly barked. It was relatively quiet and not a nuisance
  - c. amenities included dog water fountain, dog spray fountain (similar to the ones in the Village Green and Beach Park, narrow concrete walkway, a hill, bulletin board with regulations, fence openings for maintenance equipment, landscaping inside and outside the fenced areas, canopy trees, benches, double gated entrance, waste containers and dogging bags.
- 4. The Committee then toured the Beach Park.
- 5. The tour ended at the Community Center at 11:55 a.m.